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TO AMEMBASSY LAGOS IMMEDIATE
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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 135202

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP, ENGR, NI

SUBJECT: VISIT TO THE US OF COMMISSIONER FOR PETROLEUM
RESOURCES BUHARI

REF: STATE 131537 AND LAGOS 6410

1. NIGERIAN EMBASSY PHONED AF/W THIS MORNING TO ADVISE
THAT BUHARI WILL NOW ARRIVE IN US THIS MONDAY. BUHARI
IS ACCOMPANIED BY MARINHO (MANAGING DIRECTOR, NNPC),
AKPE (DEPUTY DIRECTOR, NNPC) AND A SPECIAL ASSISTANT.
EMBASSY REQUESTED THAT WE ARRANGE APPOINTMENT WITH
SECRETARY SCHLESINGER ON TUESDAY, MAY 30 TO DISCUSS US
POLICY ON LNG. WE HAVE SOUGHT TO DO SO BUT SECRETARY
SCHLESINGER WILL NOT RPT NOT BE AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK DUE
TO OTHER COMMITMENTS AND VERY SHORT NOTICE OF BUHARI
VISIT (LESS THAN ONE WORKING DAY). APPROPRIATE ASSISTANT
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SECRETARY IN DOE WILL BE OUT OF TOWN NEXT TWO WEEKS-
WE HAVE ARRANGED AN APPOINTMENT AT THE DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY LEVEL. WE HAVE INFORMED NIGERIAN EMBASSY OF
THIS, BUT HAVE ALSO SAID THAT VISIT AT THIS TIME AND
AND ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE IS LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERABLY
LESS PRODUCTIVE THAN VISIT PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED LATE
JUNE.

2. FYI:BUHARI HAS ALREADY DEPARTED LAGOS FOR LONDON.

3. PLEASE PROVIDE UPDATE ON LNG PROJECT PROMISED PARA
3, LAGOS 6410 IMMEDIATELY.

4. RE PARA 3 OF LAGOS 6387,WAS EMBASSY PETROLOFF
SUCCESSFUL IN DISCUSSING IRS RULINGS WITH MARINHO
PRIOR HIS DEPARTURE? IF SO, PLEASE REPORT
IMMEDIATELY. VANCE

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